SENATE No. 1765

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Michael F. Rush

To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts in General Court assembled:

The undersigned legislators and/or citizens respectfully petition for the adoption of the accompanying bill:

An Act granting property tax relief to seniors.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	
Michael F. Rush	Norfolk and Suffolk	
Carolyn C. Dykema	8th Middlesex	1/29/2019
Patrick M. O'Connor	Plymouth and Norfolk	1/29/2019
Paul McMurtry	11th Norfolk	1/30/2019
Edward J. Kennedy	First Middlesex	1/30/2019
Edward F. Coppinger	10th Suffolk	2/1/2019
John H. Rogers	12th Norfolk	2/1/2019
Michael O. Moore	Second Worcester	4/23/2019

SENATE DOCKET, NO. 1097 FILED ON: 1/17/2019

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By Mr. Rush, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1765) of Michael F. Rush, Carolyn C. Dykema, Patrick M. O'Connor, Paul McMurtry and other members of the General Court for legislation to grant property tax relief to seniors. Revenue.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION SEE SENATE, NO. *1631* OF 2017-2018.]

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In the One Hundred and Ninety-First General Court (2019-2020)

An Act granting property tax relief to seniors.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Section 5 of chapter 59 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2014

2 Official Edition, is hereby amended by inserting at the end thereof the following new section:-

Fifty-ninth. Upon the acceptance of this section by a city or town, the board of assessors
may grant real and personal property tax abatement up to 100 per cent of the total tax assessed to

5 a resident who has attained the age of 75, subject to eligibility criteria to be established by the

6 board of assessors.